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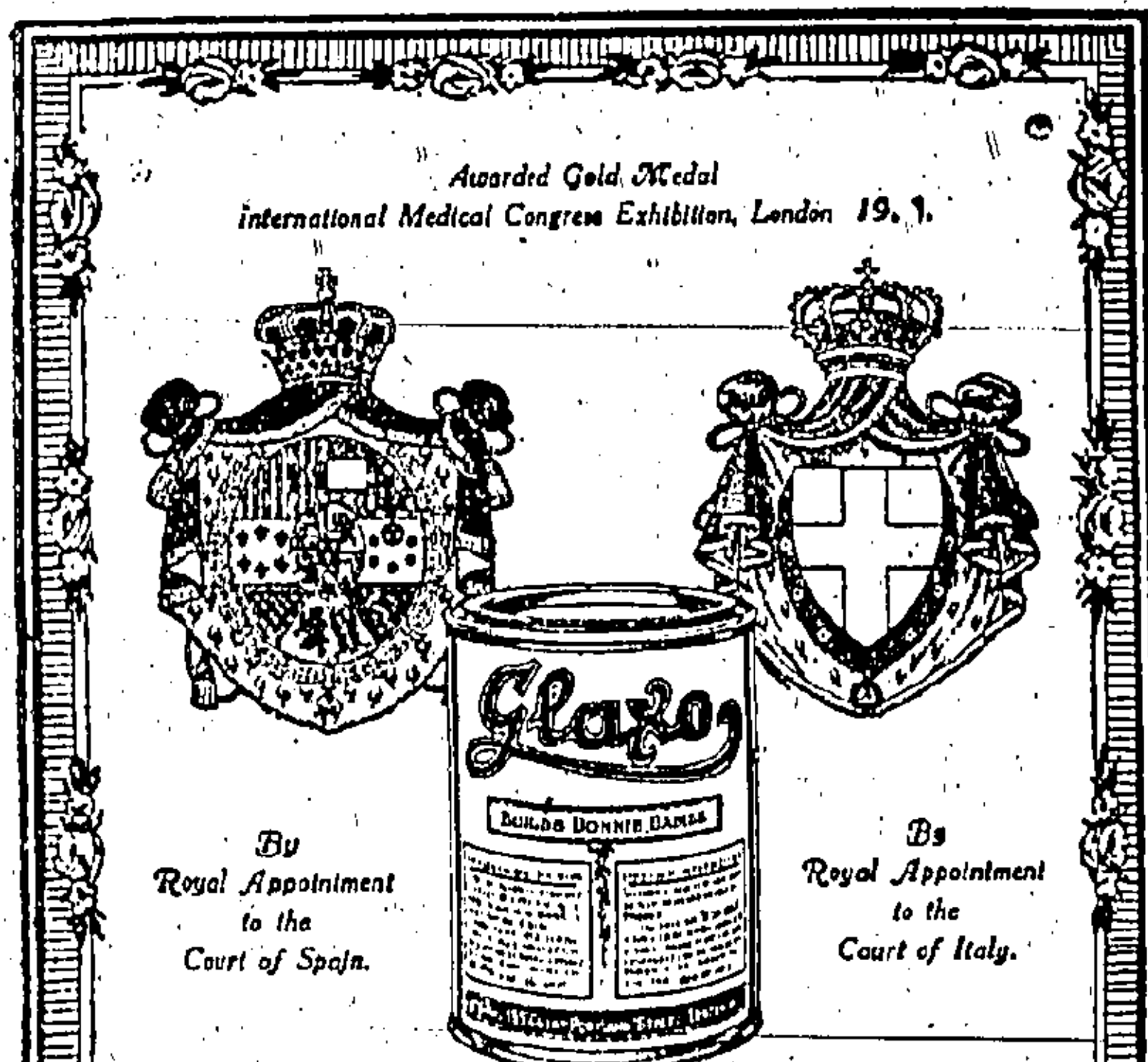
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BALDWIN'S RESIGNATION HONOURS.

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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, February 8.
Mr. Stanley Baldwin's resignation honours list comprises one peer, five privy councillors, nine baronets and sixteen knight-honours.

Sir John Butcher receives a barony.
[Sir John George Butcher, K.C., is M.P. for the City of York. A distinguished scholar, he has specialised in fluids and their motions.]

LATER.
Mr. Gershom Stewart has been made a Knight of the British Empire for colonial and imperial services.

[Mr. Gershom Stewart, Unionist M.P. for the Wirral Division of Cheshire since January 1910, was born at Greenock. He was engaged in business in the Colony of Hongkong from 1882 to 1906. He was a member of the Legislative Council of Hongkong, and held various offices in the Colony.]

LLOYD GEORGE INCIDENT.

REGARDED AS CLOSED.

LONDON, February 8.
Mr. Lloyd George has returned to the Foreign Office the proofs of the French yellow book which have caused the controversy.

It is stated on good authority that M. Poincaré has intimated that as far as he is concerned the incident may be regarded as closed.

[An earlier cable stated:—With extraordinary unanimity the newspapers refer to the excellent impression created by the British Government's attitude with regard to Lloyd George's interview, even the *Echo de Paris* joins the chorus. Satisfaction is expressed at Mr. MacDonald's haste to justify his good faith with France, which M. Poincaré greatly appreciated. The most friendly sentiments are voiced as regards the Labour Cabinet.]

CLAIM FOR 48-HOUR WEEK.

BRITAIN'S LEAD SOUGHT.

LONDON, February 8.
A deputation from the Trades Union Congress waited on the Minister of Labour and urged immediate steps to give legislative effect to the Washington convention with regard to the 48-hour week.

The deputation quoted statements in support of the contention that ratification of the Washington convention in foreign countries was largely held up by Britain's attitude and that there had therefore been a tendency to lengthen the hours of labour.

TREATY WITH RUSSIA.

PRELIMINARY NEGOTIATIONS.

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(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, February 8.
It is understood that the Russian reply to the British note according to the Soviet recognition is being handed to the Foreign Office to-day.

The note closely follows the lines of the recent resolution of the Council of Soviets.

LATER.
The Russian note to Britain, couched in diplomatic language, expresses readiness to replace the treaties which have been denounced or have lost their juridical force in consequence of events during or after the war.

The Soviet Government will therefore send plenipotentiaries to London whose tasks will also include settlement of mutual outstanding claims and obligations, as well as determination of means to restore Russia's credit in Britain.

The Soviet emphasises that mutual confidence and non-interference in internal affairs remain indispensable conditions for the development of friendly Anglo-Russian relations.

The note intimates the appointment of M. Rakosky as Charge d'Affaires pending the appointment of an Ambassador.

HONDURAS TROUBLE.

WASHINGTON, February 8.

The cruiser "Rochester" has proceeded to Honduras in response to an appeal from American residents there.

[Recent cables reported a revolutionary movement in Honduras, a Republic in Central America with an area of 46,250 square miles and a population of 744,000.]

NAVAL OIL LEASES.

WASHINGTON, February 8.

The oil lease committee will hear Mr. McAdoo at his own request to-morrow.

[Mr. McAdoo formally announced that he has terminated his professional services with the Doherty Company and he desired to testify at the oil leases enquiry. He declared that his life is an open book. He has betrayed no trust and has not enriched himself at the expense of the country or people.]

LETHAL GAS DEATH.

CHINESE EXECUTED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

CARSON CITY, NEVADA, February 8.
The first execution by lethal gas in American history was carried out here in the case of Gee Jon, a Chinese convicted of murder.

THE LATE MRS. PETRIE

LAI'D TO REST AT HAPPY VALLEY.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Petrie, wife of Mr. T. Petrie recently retired Editor of the *South China Morning Post*, took place at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon. The large number of mourners who attended testified to the respect and esteem in which the deceased lady was held, and the sympathy for the bereaved husband. The service was conducted by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald, of Union Church.

The chief mourner was Mr. Petrie, and among those present were:—Messrs. B. Wylie, H. Ching, P. P. Pheasant, F. Oliver, S. Fung, J. M. R. Xavier, Chan Kai and B. C. Lee (of the staff of the *S. C. Morning Post*), A. Hicks, A. Morley and P. P. Franklin (of the *Hongkong Telegraph*), H. A. Cartwright, B. A. Hule, J. Arncliffe and J. H. Gelling (of the *Hongkong Daily Press*), G. W. C. Burnett (China Mail), D. A. Purves, R. Packham, G. P. Curry, D. Gow, A. K. Henderson, D. K. Blair, T. Neave, W. L. Weaver, Captain R. Innes, Captain T. P. Hall, Messrs. R. Hall, G. M. Shaw, C. A. Henderson, J. W. Gloyne, J. Morris, P. Phage, D. Steel, J. E. Orlerton, T. Orlerton, M. F. Key, H. Ellis, D. O. de Silva, A. Course, H. J. White, J. Hyde, S. Komor, Mr. H. Tyler, Mrs. J. H. Tugart, Mrs. Packham, and many others.

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COMMERCIAL NOTES.

JAPAN'S FINANCES.

LONDON, February 7.
With regard to the impending Japanese loan of between \$50,000,000 and \$60,000,000, it is expected that rather less than half will be offered in London. A special sinking fund will be attached to the loan.—Reuter.

NEW GUINEA.

LONDON, February 7.
It is reported from Amsterdam that the scheme of a German group for the exploitation of parts of Dutch New Guinea is causing uneasiness in Holland. The Minister for the Colonies, replying to members in the Second Chamber, declared that public authority would not be given to concessionaires, but some distrust is still expressed by the Press.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIA BORROWING.

MELBOURNE, February 8.
The prospectus has been issued for the Federal Government's \$25,000,000 loan, six per cent issued at par.
The lists close on March 18.—Reuter.

SILK.

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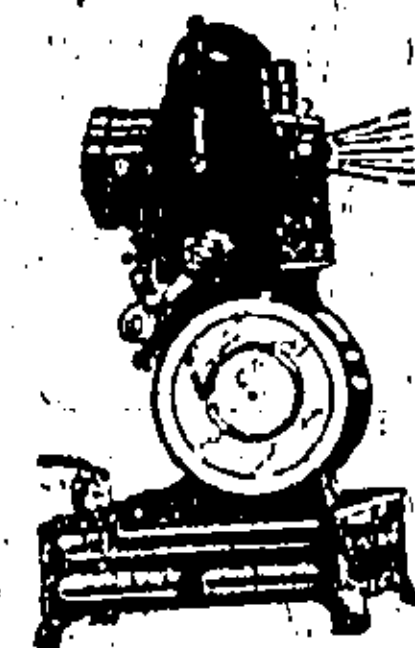
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 23rd February, 1924, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1923.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 11th February to SATURDAY, 23rd February, 1924 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

AND NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will be held on the day and at the place aforesaid immediately upon the termination of the Ordinary Yearly Meeting for the purpose of considering and if thought fit of passing the following resolution viz.—

That the Directors of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation be, and they are hereby requested and authorised by and on behalf of the Shareholders of the Corporation to take the steps necessary for the introduction of an Ordinance into the Legislative Council of the Colony of Hongkong and for the enactment of the same by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof to effect the amendments necessary to the Ordinance under which the Corporation is incorporated and carrying on business so as to allow of the ordinary note issue of the Corporation being increased from \$20,000,000 to \$30,000,000 and to modify the existing requirements as regards the deposit of security in respect of its note issue in the following manner:—

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(b) To provide that whatever the total amount of the note issue may be at any particular time the amount of coin as distinct from bullion or approved securities to be deposited by the Corporation shall never be less than one third of the total amount of the bills in actual circulation.

By Order of the Court of Directors.

A. G. STEPHEN,
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Hongkong, 4th February, 1924.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. S. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th February, 1924.

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W. E. ROBERTS,
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C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, February 8, 1924.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1924.

FEBRUARY 20th, 21st, 22nd & 23rd.

MEMBERS have the privilege of introducing two non-members to the MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE. A limited number of tickets are available and may be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings on or before Tuesday, the 19th February.

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Linstead & Davis,
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Hongkong, February 9, 1924.

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Hongkong, February 8, 1924.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Lord Robert Cecil will, it is officially announced, assume the title of Viscount Cecil of Chelwood.

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Christmas letter on the subject of Church reunion has aroused widespread interest throughout the country.

On Boxing Day no fewer than 3,500,000 persons were carried in London by the Tubes, omnibuses, and trams controlled by the Underground.

Considerable annoyance is shown in France at the publication in England of the German Memorandum presented to the Foreign Office on Christmas Eve.

"Saint Joan," Mr. Bernard Shaw's new play, was successfully produced in New York. The *New York World* in a criticism describes "Saint Joan as the finest play ever written in the English language in our day."

Further cases of foot-and-mouth disease have been reported, and the total number of cattle destroyed now reaches 106,848, and the compensation paid amounts to £1,647,000, against which £250,000 has been received from the salvage of healthy carcasses.

The Italian Cabinet have introduced a new decoration, to be known as the "Star of Merit for Work." It is reserved exclusively for manual workers of both sexes who distinguish themselves in skill, trustworthiness, and good conduct.

A despatch from Washington states that the Government have decided to help President Obregon to suppress the revolution by selling to the Federal Government munitions of war. It is understood that at least 15,000 Springfield rifles and 10,000,000 rounds of ammunition will be forwarded.

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BIRTH.

FLEMONS.—On January 27, 1924, at Shrewsbury, England, to Mr. and Mrs. S. Flemons, a son.

MARRIAGES.

COWAP-DIX.—January 3, at Hastings, J. C. Cowap, of Penang, to Frances Mildred, daughter of the late Harry Stuart Dix and Mrs. Dix, of Stoke-on-Trent.

LARSEN-KLINGENBERG.—On January 3, 1924, at Shanghai, Kristian Sparman Larsen to Anna Klingenberg.

DEATHS.

DAY.—At Government Civil Hospital on February 8, 1924, Harold H. Day, of The Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., aged 30 years—Funeral passes the Monument at 5 p.m. today.

SCRYMGEOUR.—January 2, at 7, Hillbury-road, Tooting Common, John Sturrock Scrymgeour (formerly of Singapore and Catecutti), within 13 days of his 96th birthday.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mr. Thomas Petrie returns sincere thanks to his many friends for their sympathy in his bereavement and for the floral tributes to his dear wife.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG SATURDAY, FEB. 9, 1924.

OF BOWLER HATS.

The Americans would surely call them lids. A local Editor friend once drew our attention to an advertisement in an American paper referring to children's hats. But they were not called children's hats; they were called "lids for kids."—which proves he was not so unpoetic after all for kids rhymes with lids, and these who look far enough can see or feel the liquid lyric in "Lids for Kids." And rejoice accordingly. But it is impossible to get up and maintain enthusiasm over a bowler hat, and a bowler hat nowadays is but another name for Broker. You may not be a Broker but if you wear a bowler hat you are a Broker—or the world thinks you are. And like a Broker—once a Broker always a Broker. We saw a quite respectable Architect the other day in our favorite snackeries. He did not look an Architect. An Architect never does. But this one was an Architect. And yet he wore a bowler hat. A hard one. With a dinky little brim all around. And yet one who knew him and knew he was an Architect saluted him with "Hello, Bill—are you a

Broker? We fled at this stage realising that the Architect's moral fibre had been broken, and that this strong man was about to break down in manly tears—just like an Ethel M. Dell hero. We have been at considerable pains to discover who first introduced bowlers into the Colony and why they should have been adopted by our broking friends—just as Cinema Commissioners at Home robe themselves in some dead and gone Admiral's robes of office. We used to wear bowler hats ourselves, and thought that they got their name from the fact that when a strong gust of wind came along it invariably blew over the bowlers. When we reached Penang on our venturesome journey east, the most amazing sight that struck our young and fevered imagination was a Chinese coolie wearing a bowler in the fierce rays of a relentless sun. On arrival at Hongkong they were conspicuously absent until our favourite Medico—at last retired—blossomed out in one—and others quickly followed. That seems to us to be the uninteresting history of bowlers in Hongkong. Old times do not enlighten us one little bit. We learn that certain gentlemen on occasion wore white hats and were invariably met with the cry: "Who stole the donkey?" History does not record the reply, but we can well understand that white hats soon ceased to greet the morning air, and became veritable drugs on the old clo' market. Our Brokers possess nerves of steel as we all know. They are not going to be put off with such a cry as: "Who's carrying the Baby?" or even the less personal one of:

"Where did you get that hat? Where did you get that tile?"

"Isn't it a robbery one? Quite a fine old style. I should like to have one. Just the same as that—Where did you get that hat? Where did you get that tile?"

These noble lines have been set to music and endured longer than did the less poetic statement concerning the supply of bananas. No, our Brokers are made of sterner stuff. What is likely to happen—and we mention it with due reserve, and a sense of the weight of the responsibility that is upon us—that there is likely to be a corner in Bowler hats. Fortunately our brokers—or hatters—in other circles they call them "mercers"—have laid in small sizes; unfortunately we should have said—for in this place certain types of criminals swell on the least provocation. This often finds the circumscribed circumference of a bowler hat too exacting. In addition—but enough of the bowler is the hardness thereof.

Ideal Newspapers.

Our common failing is that we can, or think we can, do the other fellow's job better than he can. Particularly if the other fellow is a school teacher, or a padre, or a newspaper man. It is a common failing, but a failing that should be curbed especially in a place like Hongkong where the difficulties in the three professions mentioned are well nigh insuperable. It is interesting though when a member of either of these three callings indulges in day dreams regarding his profession. Just recently we have been reading the dreams of no less a person than Sir John Foster who is a working journalist of 40 years standing, and who is the first newspaper man to be knighted by the King, regarding his ideas of an "Ideal Newspaper." Had Sir John his way his ideal would have very little to do with famous law cases; very little to do with the lives of actresses; very little to do with the great side of human life; a great deal to do with the beautiful and good side. It would be a newspaper, or chiefly made up of wrongdoings. Sir John interprets this telling statement in his address which we should like to blazon forth the world over:

"If I have learned one thing in my 40 years as a journalist, it is that if we are going to do right, we must be able to appreciate the other fellow's point of view. As some obscure poet has it, 'truer words were never spoken.' When the reading public realises the ideals Sir John enunciates, we may hope for better things. We may advance a step in the idealistic direction if those of the three professions—teaching, preaching, and purveying, would combine on some common platform, to the extent that a pulpit or a classroom would be a safe place in which to introduce a newspaper. We simply said so might. We perhaps ought to have added when this happy state of things will eventuate. For righteousness can be made readable, and therefore interesting.

A Departing Society.

Hongkong is said to be famous for the Societies it creates, and then allows to die. Our caption may suggest that we are about to refer to another of the alleged many gone to their rest. On the contrary, this is the title of a new Society which should like to see created—that is if the principle of acknowledging services rendered for the benefit of the community is to be taken into account. For ourselves, we think virtue should be its own reward, and the doing of good or helpful things should not be considered so exceptional as to warrant putting gifts or receptions on dinners. But we recognise that all do not think alike on this topic, and that many delight to honour those who may have done themselves in diligent and helpful service. Thus we create our Departing Society whose business—a very delicate business we admit, will be to see that our deeds of good receive either the testimonial of time or the word in season before they depart. That our members who have spent themselves in the musical and artistic life of the Colony will not be met at Singapore with a cable costing \$8.50, or have a brass plate erected to their memory which it will need an endowment fund to pay for the polish. Something more real than this or nothing at all. Thus shall the Hongkong spirit not become a thing to be scoffed at and abhorred by all men, and those like the good lady who left us quite recently after a splendid devotion in the cause of education, covering the best years of her life without a word will depart with the kind word and the grip of appreciation on which the memory will dwell for many a day.

HAIR CUTS.

Amateur statisticians doubtless worried the natives during these holidays into a state of coma arriving at comparative figures regarding the energy spent by the Chinese in their New Year celebrations. We are not good at figures, but we have been wondering how many male Chinese got their hair-cut; how much it cost them per cut, how many cushions could be stuffed with the "proceeds" of the cuts—or how many watch-chains made from it (it used to be a fashion at Home at one time to wear watch-chains made from the hair of a beloved one—wrist watches killed that fashion to say nothing of the fact that pawn brokers would not lend on them) how many minutes were used in the process of waiting and shearing. Being a statistician is very hard indeed and we are thankful the "profession" has its limitations whilst its adherents are known as the limits. In Canton they have commenced charging five cents more per hair cut than formerly. This is an imposition and we accuse the barbers and Dr. Sun of working hand in hand. The Doctor provides the hair raising stunts—and the barbers reap accordingly—because once your hair raises or rises, well you've got to get it cut. Things are so bad this way in Canton that we believe it pays people to come to Hongkong for a cut, while there is a demand for cosmetics which cannot be supplied for the device is being adopted of a liberal use of cosmetics as an aid to meeting hair-raising stunts. In any case this is where the bald man shines!

The oddities of the PECULIAR English language or its pronunciation is illustrated by the following Lim—

"There was an old farmer of Slough,
Who went out to milk his old
cough.
But the cough became rough,
So the farmer cried, 'Slough!'
And departed to feed the old
sough."

is probably one GUNPOWDER of the dying PLOT anniversaries that is left to us.

Only in a half-hearted manner do boys and only a few of them, buy their pin-wheels, sky-rockets, fire crackers and "let them off" with perhaps no thought of the significance of that November day in far-off 1605. News has come which survives memories of the famous or infamous Gunpowder plot. Permission, we learn, has been given by the Southwark Borough Council to the owners of a restaurant to extend their premises by building over Montague Close. The Close is named after a mansion built by Vicount Montague, after the Disposition, and it was here that he was living when he received the anonymous letter which warned him of the plot and which led to its being frustrated. In part reward for his loyalty to his Sovereign, people living in Montague Close were exempted from actions for debt or trespass. Later as a result, however, the place became such a regular sanctuary for those of evil habits that finally it had to be suppressed by law.

One recalls a childhood rhyme about a cow that jumped over the moon on some rather trivial pretext, so that really, in comparison, the recent feat of Mr. T. A. Barnes, P. R. G. S., in cross-

ing the continent of Africa in search of a butterfly, is hardly worthy of comment. At that, however, there are very few people who would feel inclined to emulate his example. Incidentally, Mr. Barnes passed over the great crater of Ngorongoro, which is thirty-five miles in circumference, and in the hollow of which are said to live some 75,000 head of big game that never leave it.

Those who, engrossed in a book, become oblivious to the sense of time—of to the extent of forgetting to return the book to its rightful owner. This engrossment can apply to certain games. Here is evidence regarding one game as judged by the dialogue between two policemen in a certain city:—

"Nobody could make 'em hear so we burst in the door!"
"Were they dead?"
"No—playing chess."

One's form at golf is a GOLF subject of perennial interest. The following was overheard in the snackeries the other day. We are not certain if it is a leg-pull or a piece of gospel:—

"Went round in twenty-three to-day!"
"What—strokes?"
"No—whiskies."

If there is anything more deceptive than time we should like to hear of it. Our "just a minute" become ten or more, and the time spent in waiting for those who have failed to keep to the strict letter of time in the appointment made with them, expands, so it seems, to infinity. It might be said that time makes liars of us all. Even Bishops are not immune. And we mention Bishops—being, we suppose right at the very top of all the Christian virtues—else why Bishops? Also because the story of a Bishop and a telephone reaches us—surely two of the most exacting things in life—for do they not both teach us patience and forbearance to the nth degree? This is about a well-known Bishop. All Bishops, like Brokers are "well-known;" so that it is not necessary to mention names. This "well-known" one is said to have been "the soul of integrity." And there we are intrigued again. Are some Bishops not the soul of integrity? And also if not, why Bishops? But we meander, or as Mrs. Malaprop would say "we disgrace"—from the subject of the soul of the well-known one. The w. k. one once protested that he had been kept waiting nearly ten minutes on the telephone but it was proved that the exact period was thirty-six seconds! We know this is a harrowing Grand Guignol sort of story, and if we felt anyone was likely to lose his or her faith in a Bishop, even a well-known one, we should never forgive ourselves for having mentioned it.

The foregoing recollection of a Bishop minds us of a Lancashire story of a former Bishop of Manchester Dr. Fraser. Walking in Ancoats one day he came across two gutter boys sitting on the edge of a pavement busy, putting the finishing touches to a mud house they had made, and he enquired what they were doing.

"We've been makin' a Church," replied one of them.

"A Church?" responded the Bishop, much interested. "Ah, yes, I see. That I suppose is the entrance door (pointing with his stick). This is the nave, these are the aisles, these the pews, and you have even got the pulpit! Very good, my boys, very good. But where is the parson?"

"We had not gettin' luck enough to mak' a parson!" was the reply.

We think we know our Hongkong and those who dwell therein, and in giving the following story for what it is worth, we not for a moment suggest it refers to anyone in the Colony.

Into the General Hospital a middle-aged man was brought with a compound fracture of the skull. On regaining consciousness, the surgeons asked him if he was married. "No, Sir, I was kicked by a horse!"

Mr. Harold Spender, the journalist who accepts full responsibility for the Lloyd George interview which caused a political sensation, has worked for several big London papers. During the war he gave himself up to the war savings propaganda and other war activities. He contested at Bath as a United Liberal Candidate, in the General Election in November 1922. His publications include several books on general topics and three biographies—Herbert Henry Asquith in 1915; General Buller in 1916; David Lloyd George (French issue) 1919; and The Prime Minister in 1920; he has also written numerous short stories and magazine articles.

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The following rule has been inserted in the Tramway Ordinance:—The driver or conductor of a car shall stop or move on the same in obedience to all directions and signals which may be given by any police officer in uniform for the purpose of regulating traffic.

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A *Reuter* cable from Paris announces the death of M. Lafitte, Chairman of the Havas News Agency.

To the Colony's list of authorized architects have been added the names of Mr. Frank Clemes and Mr. Sik Lam Wong.

Mr. J. S. McCann, Dr. and Mrs. Black, Mr. D. Tolan, Mr. G. Gompertz, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lammer, Mr. J. W. Alabaster and Mr. H. Birkett, were passengers on the P. and O. "Naldora" which arrived yesterday.

Rear-Admiral H. L. Holder died on January 5, at his home in Southsea in his ninety-second year. He entered the Royal Navy as a midshipman in 1846. After taking part in the operation in the Black Sea and the Baltic in the Russian War, he commanded the gunboat "Bouncer" and "Cockchafer" on the China Station, took part in suppressing the Taiping Rebellion, and being present at the attack on the Straits of Shimnonski in 1864. For these services he was again mentioned in dispatches, received the China medal, and was specially mentioned and promoted Commander. He retired with the rank of captain in 1873, being promoted Rear-Admiral on the Retired List in 1888.

PRINCE OF WALES:

BROKEN COLLAR BONE:

SURGEON'S BULLETIN.

"PROGRESSING FAVOURABLY."

This morning's *Reuter* cables reported that the Prince of Wales had broken his collar bone. The injury was slight and he was returning to London. According to later cables, Sir Stanley Hewett, Surgeon to the Royal Household, issued a bulletin yesterday afternoon that there were no complications and the Prince was progressing favourably.

LONDON, February 8.

The Prince of Wales' collar bone is broken. The injury, a fracture, was surgically attended to in London by a specialist.

The Prince is in bed at York House. He is as comfortable as circumstances permit.



[Earlier cables stated H.R.H. The Prince of Wales broke his collar-bone while exercising his hunter at Billington Manor, near Ascott. He spent the night at Mentmore Mansions with Lord Dalmeny, prior to the meet of the Whaddon Chase, Hounds at Ascott.

Early in the morning he took his hunters to Billington Manor, the residence of Sir Richard Cooper, and he was jumping a fence when his horse fell. The Prince of Wales was pitched on his shoulder, but immediately rose and tried to remount.

His Equerry said, "I believe you have broken your collar-bone," and the Prince of Wales replied, "Yes, have me taken to Leighton Buzzard!" He was given medical treatment, and subsequently driven back to Mentmore with his shoulder bandaged, but smiling.]

TRAIN ROBBERS.

A REPORTED HOLD UP ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Between Shui Tong and Sheng Pok, on the Samshui-Canton railway line, a train was brought to standstill on Tuesday, says a report received by the *China Mail* this morning, and robbers held up the passengers. The metal way had been torn up for a distance of about 40 yards and the train from Canton overruled. Fortunately none of the passenger cars overturned.

It is stated that the robbers took away ten first class Chinese passengers, evidently to hold them for ransom. Last year a similar incident was reported from the same spot.

There were no foreigners on the train and nobody was killed.

London, February 7.—It is understood that yesterday's meeting of Unionist leaders, convened by Mr. Baldwin and including Earl Balfour, Lord Birkenhead and Mr. Austen Chamberlain, resolved, in view of the verdict of the electorate, to eliminate the general Protectionist policy from the Party programme, but to advocate a tariff to protect particularly the pressed industries which prove the necessity, therefore, to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade, to maintain the principle of imperial preference within the limits laid down by the Imperial Conference.

MARRIAGE FLUTTERS.

MISS WINTERBOTTOM ANNOUNCES NUPTIALS.

[BY JOHN SINCLAIR.]

Miss Winterbottom (pronounced Vangtailbottom) has thrown a bombshell in the Boarding House. My future, past and present has faded away into thin air with the explosion of the prim little typist's announcement. I am no longer the cynosure, the second best topic around the surreptitious dining table—the first being the menu. Miss Winterbottom has taken the limelight and now there is something solid to talk about, something to juggle with and conjecture. She is going to get married, to exchange her single life for conjugal bliss, her bottom drawer being filled to the top and her prospective mate two days away on some boat from Hongkong. As a selfish bachelor who has so far escaped the perils of the stormy sea of matrimony, Miss Winterbottom's bombshell did not have that same cataclysmic effect on me as it did on the Old Lady and her precocious grand-daughter. No. They have begun to look upon me as kind of Trappist Monk in the house in a sort of nobody-will-ever-marry-him attitude.

Yet when I think of little Miss W—her name is too exasperating to repeat too many times—I feel more and more convinced that she deserves her Frankie. She has tapped out her frail fingers to the bone for many years on some callous firm's typewriter. She has arrived promptly to the second and sharp to the minute at every meal. In sheer sympathy one evening I invited her to have just one small cocktail. It was the same evening of the fortunetelling episode when I had to be sociable more or less. She considered the offer for a hesitating minute or two, then she gazed at me with a far away look in her eyes and ordered a glass of milk. Evidently she was thinking of Frankie then. I did not press the point, but let her have her milk and dream of her Romeo.

I suppose I shall be invited to the wedding. But I shall excuse myself. My tail coat and blithesome pants are deep down at the bottom of my trunk and they bear some painful memories. They last saw the light of day at the wedding of a good pal of mine in Shanghai. It was the parting of the ways. His rash act broke up a happy trio and the two of us left erected a tombstone in his memory and were never the same again. He was a good fellow and for many years had been carrying on dangerously on the verge of marriage until a "fascinating" New York girl simply swept him off his feet. He lost his head in a critical moment. Whether or not he was acting under the inspiration of the much boosted Anglo-American friendship idea, I do not know, but my single reflection was that if our diplomats were the same as he is, the Foreign Office may as well put their shutters up. But the pair are happy. I have only met him once since that fateful day when I nearly insulted him by wearing a black tie as best man. He nearly broke my back in his congratulations of his doubled existence, as it were.

"You don't know you are alive until you get married, John!" he exclaimed. I do not know how many times.

"Marriage is just the thing."

"I said 'Ahem,'—that's all."

Miss W. could not have done a more indiscreet thing than to broadcast her approaching nuptials. The Old Lady has become garrulous. She remembers to a stitch what she wore hundreds of years ago at her wedding, how her husband blushed when he kissed her in the village church, how the party consumed thousands of bottles of drinks, how the fiddler fell off his perch drunk, half way through the merrymaking and so on. Miss W's wedding has struck a chord in the Old Lady's heart which is reverberating from floor to roof.

"Aye," she says, "I wish I were young again."

The Landlady is already making preparations for the event. A reception at the house etc. Miss W. is in a continual flutter of excitement. I have already advised her to resign from the office, but like the discreet little woman she is, she will not sever her business connections until she is actually in dear Frankie's arms. I don't blame her. She will make the best of wives.

Marriage must be a wonderful thing to make girls get like this. I always thought Miss Winterbottom lacking in emotion until two days ago. I am wondering if I should feel the same. Whether or not my heart has hardened too much under the burning tropical suns to prevent any deeper emotion, I am not sure. I am sure, however, that my Club friends would say that if anything did happen to me, I shall have more to say in my next column.

LOCAL TURF.

COMING ANNUAL MEETING.

CLUB SELLING SWEEPS.

With less than a fortnight to go before track enthusiasts wend their way to Happy Valley for Hongkong's annual race-meeting, which extends from Wednesday the 20th to Saturday the 23rd, interest is steadily growing and ears are on the alert for the least bit of authentic news from the experts.

That mysterious "element known to turfites as 'form,'" in the shape of the selling-sweeps at the clubs, has assumed more definite shape although inclement weather since the holidays has been against gauging the possible prowess of the steeds that will carry the hopes of the various stables. At any rate, pronounced views were indicated at the bidding for ponies and the usual large crowds were present to ensure keen attendance.

Interest seems to be monopolised at present by the candidates entered for the Derby, the Blue Riband of Hongkong racing. At the Tam Un Club last night, all three draws for the big race evoked more than average enthusiasm even if they were only "by stable." Taking the offers last night as a criterion of what those who follow the training think, one of the ponies belonging to Messrs. Morris and Marshall stands an excellent chance of carrying off the honours. Between whispers dropped from groups in the room it was heard that the renowned 'Hill had promised to steer these mounts. Another old-timer confidently expressed his faith in the pony with a pronounced streak of Russian blood in him, believing him capable of doing the mile and a half, with Hill up, in a manner which could have only one result. According to the offers for this stable in the three draws last night, the odds accepted by the bidders were just about evens or slightly under, for a win, while they would not even get back their lay out if only second and third places were annexed.

Running the Shanghai stable very closely were the ponies owned by that veteran sportsman, Sir Paul. From behind a chart of training times and a mass of calculations a tipster was heard to remark that trainer Curreen was sure to pull it off again this year and as the draw was "by stable" there was no need to discuss the respective merits of the first and second strings. About 4 to 3 would be the average of the odds in the three draws if the "straw and white cap" took first place, and backers would just get their money back if they had to be satisfied with second and third.

Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's stable was made third favourite at slightly better odds than Sir Paul's, but beyond these three there was "little doing" with the exception of a fair demand for Mr. A. H. Carroll's ponies. The offers for this stable were disproportionate, the highest being one which would give about 4 to 1 for a win alone and 1 to 2 for second place. The best bargain for this stable was in a series in which the odds were about 12 to 1 for first place, 100 to 35 for second and nearly evens for third.

Other stables which found supporters here and there and may be described as including the outsiders' chances were those of Mr. A. A. Alves, Mr. H. Birkett, Mr. Henry Humphreys, Lady Chater and Mr. Dynasty.

There was also a draw for the Victoria Stakes, also by stable, with Sir Paul's and Messrs. Stephen and Stitt's hot favourites. Only two others were bid for these being Mr. Dynasty's and Messrs. Morris's and Marshall's.

Only moderate support was forthcoming for the Chater Cup (by stable) draw. This race is for gymkhana-ponies and popular opinion favoured the following stables in the order given:—A. H. Carroll, Dyer and Beith, A. A. Alves, R. J. Wilton, Albert and Arnold, Potts and Croucher.

New York, February 7.—The indignation aroused throughout America by the neglect of the German Embassy to half-mast the flag in honour of the late Mr. Wilson, is reflected by a statement in the *Tribune* saying that some financial circles are of the opinion that the incident may seriously affect the prospects of any German loan in America.—*Reuter*.

London, February 7.—It is understood that the employers, who conferred yesterday, are prepared to meet the dockers half-way in regard to the demand for a two shilling increase. The prospect of averting a strike is therefore regarded with hope.—*Reuter*.

present a well-defined. And on this subject of bridge, which the newspapers always forget to mention except the more name, I shall have more to say in my next column.

COMPANY MEETING.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

The ordinary annual general meeting of shareholders of the Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., was held at the Hongkong Hotel this morning. Mr. Henry Humphreys presided and he was supported by the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Father Robert, Messrs. J. Scott Harston, W. L. Pattenden and J. M. Alves (Directors).

After Mr. G. Rapp, the Secretary, had read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—

The report and statement of accounts with auditors' report having been in your hands for the past twelve days I propose, with your permission, to adopt the usual procedure and take them as read.

As regards the accounts I think you will agree with me that they are quite satisfactory. They call for little comment. Profit on sales of property is \$25,933.26 less than last year, on the other hand revenue from rent shows an increase of \$45,552.21.

The amount at credit of special repairs and renewals account has been reduced to the low figure of \$1,498 as shown in the accounts; your directors therefore propose to transfer a sum of \$10,000 from profits to the credit of this account. The typhoons and floods of 1923 especially the latter caused some damage to our properties, particularly those on the May Road level. The proposed transfer of \$10,000 to the credit of typhoon and floods insurance fund will be more than sufficient to repair the damage.

I trust the proposed allocation of \$50,000 to reserve fund, and the proposed distribution of profits will meet with your approval. I have no further remarks to make and now propose that the report and statement of accounts as presented be adopted. After this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions in connection with the accounts shareholders may wish to ask.

Mr. L. S. Greenhill seconded.

No questions were asked. The Chairman proposed and Mr. D. H. Seth seconded the resolution that Messrs. J. Scott Harston, W. L. Pattenden, the Rev. Father Robert, Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. J. M. Alves be re-elected as Directors of the Company.

Mr. H. Lacey Smith and Messrs. Linstead and Davies were elected auditors for the year at a remuneration of \$250. Mr. D. E. Clark proposed and Mr. M. Fernandez seconded.

Reuter cables from Tokyo that the Japanese general elections will take place on May 10.

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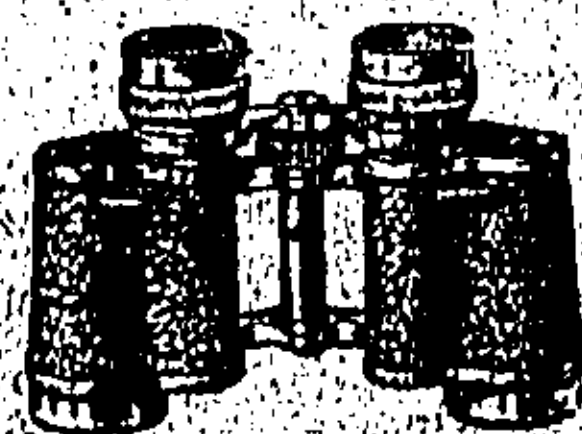
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THE FORTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 28th, February 1924, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December 1923, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from THURSDAY the 21st, February 1924, until THURSDAY 28th, February 1924, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 9th February, 1924.

NOTICE.

MESSRS. LINSTEAD & DAVIS, Chartered Accountants, announce that they have removed their offices to the 1st floor of Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, February 9, 1924.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction.

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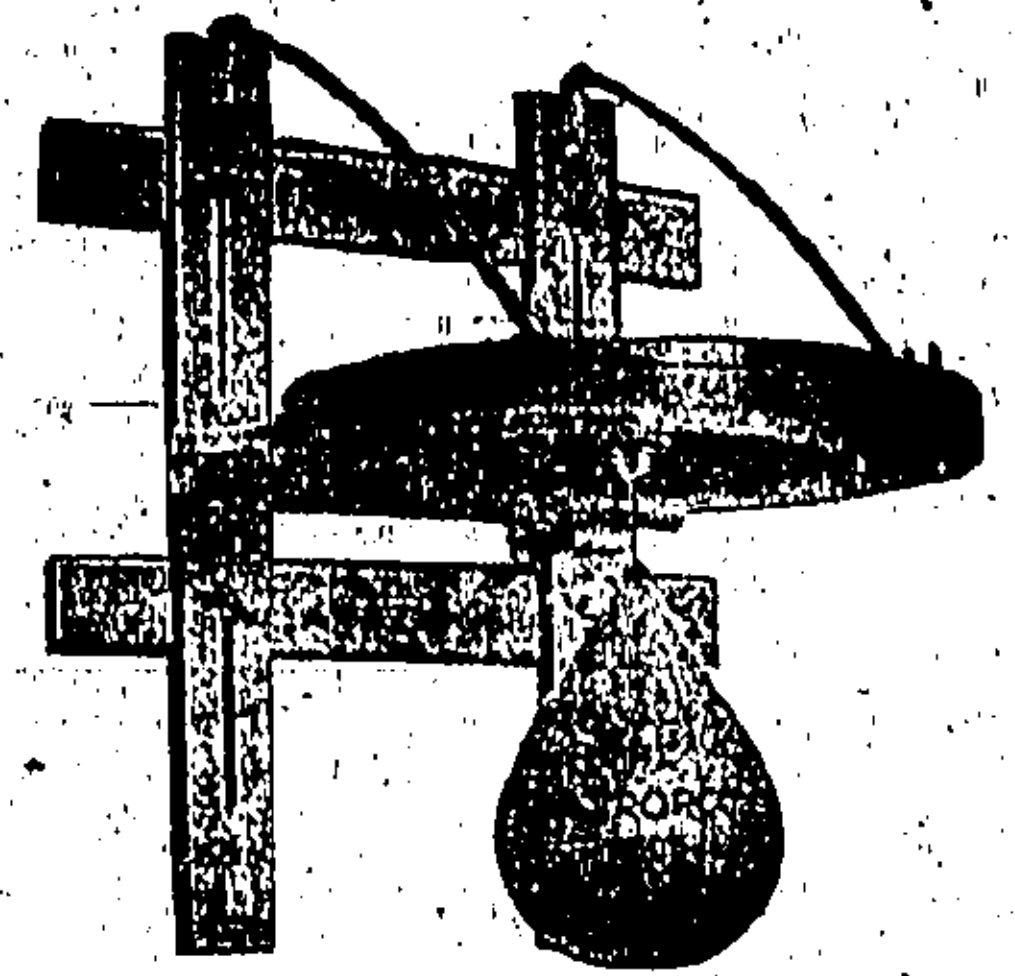
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SUMATRA MARUThursday, 21st Feb.
RUSHO MARUMonday, 25th March.
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INDO MARUWednesday, 13th February.
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ARIZONA MARUMonday, 18th Feb.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.
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LAST NIGHT'S BOXING
MAIN EVENT, DISAPPOINTS

CHADWICK WINS ON FOUL

A big disappointment was in store for the huge crowd that packed the Theatre Royal at last night's boxing tournament, the main contest, between Cardidge and Chadwick ending within half a minute in the disqualification of the former on a foul.

It must have been a record audience. There was not a seat to be seen and there could have been none. Prominent ringside spectators were H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Sir Claude Severn K.B.E., C.M.G.), the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies K.C.) and Mr. Justice Gompertz.

Keen interest was displayed when the competitors in the chief event stepped into the ring after the interval. They were announced as "Stoker Petty Officer Jim Cardidge of the Royal Naval Yard (Imperial Services Featherweight Champion), 125 1/2 lbs." and "Able Seaman Chadwick, of H.M.S. "Marazion," 125 1/2 lbs. Both men looked to be in the pink and Cardidge, who has been training for some months over at Kowloon, seemed especially fit.

The fight opened in lively fashion and the "house" settled down to enjoy a thoroughly good scrap. The disappointment was intense when within the first 30 seconds of the round, Cardidge accidentally delivered a foul blow and the referee (Mr. W. Logan) at once awarded the fight to Chadwick. At the end of the tournament it was announced that they would fight again for the Featherweight Championship of the Colony and the Scott Harston Belt (which Chadwick's victory earned him last night) on February 18.

THE OTHER EVENTS.

There was nothing particularly brilliant about the boxing furnished by the remainder of the programme. The first bout, between A.B. Edwards (H.M.S. "Despatch") and Pte. Pooley (East Surreys) did not survive the first round. Edwards sailed into his opponent as soon as he left his corner but the soldier simply stood off and sent in blow after blow which Edwards seemed to have no idea whatever of avoiding. When they thought he had had enough the A.B.'s seconds wisely skied the towel.

The next event, though merely a slogging match, was a much more "willing" display. It was a six-round featherweight contest, between Corporal Eades (Surreys) and Telegraphist Bates ("Tiania"), the former scaling 128 lbs. and the latter 125 lbs. The going was fairly fast in the early stages and Eades took some severe punishment, the going saving him more than once. He showed tons of pluck, however, and stuck to his man right through. Bates was clearly the winner and got the decision although in the last round or two he had very little to spare.

The soldier was an easy winner in the six-round flyweight contest between Lt. Major (Surreys) and A.B. Paimore ("Ambrose"). Major had a good punch and used it freely from the start. It looked as though the contest was going to have an early ending but the Navy man stuck it well in spite of heavy punishment and the bout went the full distance.

There was little to write home about concerning the six-round lightweight contest between Bandsman Wareham ("Surreys"), 135 lbs., and A.B. Bland, 132 lbs. The first round opened promisingly but later on there was a good deal of hugging. Bland got a lot of punishment in the fourth round and the referee gave the decision to his opponent. Sergt. Tribe of the R.G.A. was matched against Stoker P. O. Hector of the "Diomedes" and, old opponents, they fought warily for several rounds. Tribe had the advantage in weight, being about five pounds heavier, but Hector knew more about boxing. Hector got some useful rights home in the fourth round and thereafter the gunner simply hung on and dodged the knock-out which had seemed inevitable. Hector won on points. The final contest, between A.B. Eardley ("Ambrose") 148 1/2 lbs. and P.T.I. Harris ("Durban") 134 1/2 lbs. at first looked as though it would provide a fairly good bout but it did not prove remarkably interesting. Eardley had the better of it right through and Harris was unable to lead an effective attack. There was much clinching and Eardley easily won a not very satisfactory fight.

Borne, February 8.—The Federal Council has approved the bill and statement regarding the prohibition for the International Opium Convention.—*Reuter*.

The rainfall for the month of January at the Botanical Gardens was in. 39 on 10 days, at the Matilda Hospital, Mount Kellett, it was in. 48 on 7 days, and at the Police Station, Tai-po, in. 44 on 3 days. The lowest barometer at sea level was 29.95 at 14h. on 14th. The maximum squall velocity, as recorded by the Dines-Baxendell anemograph, was at the rate of 48 miles per hour at 23h. 35m. on the 20th.

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EXCHANGE CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

D. W. Griffith, motion picture director and producer, and Robert W. Chambers, novelist, exchanged Christmas gifts this way: Mr. Griffith gave Chambers a chance to see his new picture, "America," while Mr. Chambers gave Griffith the opportunity of writing 500 words of his story of "America" in type. The story of "America" in type, came about when Chambers, a regular at the Griffith studios at Mamaroneck, N.Y., remarked that Griffith was directing a picture, a great big picture like "America," in the grand old style. Griffith replied that at least one of his generation's leading novelists had gotten the habit of writing out a best seller in the picture room, moments of vacation from picture writing.

Whereupon, the two men selected by the Daughters of the American Revolution to place the War of American Independence in type and on the screen, agreed to make each other the aforementioned rather unique Christmas presents. They planned to spend all Christmas Day at it, and so will some hundreds of actors, actresses, technicians and camera men.

NORMA TALMADGE'S NEW PICTURE.

Norma Talmadge's drama, of the Algerian Sahara, formerly known as "Dust of Desire" has been given its permanent title. The new title is "The Song of Love." The cutting and editing of "The Song of Love" was finished this week and, following a final preview, it will be sent to New York for release.

"The Song of Love" is Norma's first picture since she appeared in "Ashes of Vengeance." It was co-directed by Chester Franklin and Frances Marion and will be released by Producer Joseph M. Schenck.

Norma Talmadge has the role of an Ouled Nail dancing girl in "The Song of Love" and is supported by Joseph Schildkraut and Arthur Edmund Carew. Schildkraut, the famous Viennese actor who created such a sensation in "Tillam" in New York, has the role of a French Government spy in "The Song of Love." Arthur Edmund Carew, the Svengali of "Tillam," has a role of almost equal importance, with Schildkraut's and is cast as Ramlika, the leader of a band of desert nomads.

The cast of "The Song of Love" also includes Maude Wayne, Hector V. Sarno, Laurence West, Mario Carillo, James Cogley, Albert Finco and Earl Schenck. The beautiful photography is credited to Giuseppe Gandia, while the picturesque sets were designed by Stephen Goosson.

"COLONEL"

D. W. GRIFFITH'S LATEST TITLE.

Now it is Colonel D. W. Griffith. For the noted motion picture and producer who revolutionized the film world by making the first long motion picture, "The Birth of a Nation," and who now is filming "The War of Independence" in "America" at the request of the Daughters of the American Revolution, has been made an honest-to-goodness Colonel by the Governor in his native state, Kentucky.

Gov. Edwin P. Morrow of Kentucky, has just forwarded Griffith's commission to Mayor Huston Quinn of Louisville, together with a letter stating that he has made Mr. Griffith a colonel in recognition of the honor which the picture producer has brought to his native state.

Mr. Griffith is the first motion picture producer ever honored in this manner. Others who have received similar commissions in the past include Col. George Horace Lorimer, Col. Norman P. Hapgood and Col. John T. McCutcheon.

Mr. Griffith was born at Lu Grange, Ky., January 22, 1890, one of eight children of Gen. Jacob Wark Griffith, the "Roaring Jake" Griffith of the Confederacy.

Word of the signal honour bestowed on Mr. Griffith by the Blue Grass State reached the producer at his Mamaroneck studio where he now is filming scenes for "America." He declined to make any statement.

FURY OF THE TYPHOON.

BIG TIDAL WAVE STAGED FOR PICTURE.

An unsolved mystery exists about one of Nature's greatest destroyers, the typhoon, which still continues to sweep across the tropics and take a heartless toll of human life and property. There are times when great destructive winds accompany tidal waves and destroy, as only water can, with a fury equal to volcanoes.

This is skillfully filmed in the recent Universal Super-Jewel production, "Thundering Dawn," which will be first shown at the Coronet Theatre. Harry Garson, who directed the production, spared no effort or expense to attain needed elements of realism. Thunderbolts, a recent commercialized innovation, crash out across the sky, directed by the scientific principles set down by Dr. Charles Steinmetz, the electrical wizard, and discoverer of this principle.

Four huge dredges were devised so that they could be used for pumping; and ten million gallons of sea water were sprayed to convey an unmistakably vivid picture of a tidal wave in action. Costly structures "went by the boards" when the sea swept in; but it all resulted in a film record which any geographical society would want to keep on account of its accuracy.

All this discloses an interesting contrast from the comfortable home and mode of life which Paul Standish, a likeable chap, played by J. Warren Kerrigan, lives when he resides in the states, before business ventures turned out bad for his father and himself, and he decides to leave, rather suddenly so that whatever might arise, all blame would point towards himself alone. The woman who meant most in his life, Mary Rogers, portrayed by

Anna Q. Nilsson, was to have been his bride the evening of the very day that he had to flee. So two big sorrows filled his heart as he embarked upon a tramp steamer, for "anywhere" in the tropics.

With his spirit broken by his unforgettable past, and his exile from his loved ones, he soon became a prey to vice, sinking swiftly to the level of the outcast. But everybody about him drank, gambled and swaggered.

The motley crew he mixed with thought no more of human life than their counter parts, the ferocious jungle beasts. Every country of Europe had contributed at least one man, and the United States had a dozen, while the natives of the Malayan peninsula, China, Japan, and adjoining isles, flooded the island to do coolie labour, although a portion of their bolder, and more desperate fellows mixed with the white men in their vice.

Nearly all this struggling mass of vicious life ceased to exist one day, because of a whim of nature. The dry season made way for the rainy season, bringing a typhoon, which in turn, brought a tidal wave. The heights of drama are attained throughout this storm which few would care to miss.

HOW MOVIES ARE MADE.

FRENCH SAILORS' GLIMPSE.

Three hundred sailors from the French battleship "Jeanne D'Arc" are to-day much observed as they continue their cruise around the world, due to the fact that Douglas Fairbanks recently gave them a "close-up" of the art of motion picture making when they visited the Pickford-Fairbanks studios as guests of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

The sailors were in charge of a group of petty officers. Luncheon

"ONE A MINUTE."

DOUGLAS MACLEAN'S NEW PICTURE.

The village drug store, the trade mart for everything from phonographs to lollypops, has been enterprisingly exploited in "One a Minute," Douglas MacLean's latest Paramount Ince Comedy, which will be presented at the Star Theatre on Thursday next.

The store is a study in small-town trade versatility. Everything within the druggist's province, and many things outside, are displayed in characteristic disarray, while in the windows, draped with red and green paper streamers are enormous displays of "Knight's 99," the miraculous panacea for all human ailments upon which hinges the main action of the story.

The picture tells of the vicissitudes of Jimmy Knight, the leading role portrayed by MacLean, when he places on the market a miraculous medicine which as is disclosed in the final scenes of the picture, really possesses curative powers.

"One a Minute," a successful stage success by Fred Jackson, was adapted to the screen by Joseph Franklin Poland. Marian DeBeck, who recently entered filmdom from the New York stage, appears in the leading feminine role, while Victor Potel, Andrew Robson, Frances Raymond and Graham Pettie assume important characterizations.

was served to them on the studio grounds with Douglas himself in the role of a waiter. The star and producer dealt out sandwiches and coffee for half an hour. Prior to the lunch, Fairbanks had guided the entire party through the studio, telling them in French parts of the story of "The Thief of Bagdad."

PACIFIC COAST GALE.

HELPS DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS' PICTURE.

A recent gale which swept the Pacific coast, and during which the wind often reached fifty and sixty miles an hour, actually destroying one big set in Douglas Fairbanks' forthcoming screen feature, "The Thief of Bagdad," and imperilling many others, did not work entirely to the disadvantage of the mammoth production.

High winds in some of the scenes of "The Thief of Bagdad" are absolutely necessary, especially those scenes having to do with the "Magic Carpet." In this sequence Mr. Fairbanks and Julianne Johnston, who plays the role of "The Princess" float over the City of Bagdad on a magic carpet.

When all other work at the studio was halted because of the wind velocity, Fairbanks suggested that they might "shoot" the close-ups of the magic carpet scenes and thus get a realistic effect. Miss Johnston was asked about it, and declared she wasn't a bit afraid of a perilous ride in the high wind.

Though the great rug, which is used as the magic carpet, was tossed back and forth and up and down, an excellent "take" was recorded on only the third attempt. On the screen, when "The Thief of Bagdad" is released this scene will be doubly baffling to those fans who attempt to figure out just how it was photographed.

INDIAN "MOVIE" STARS.

FAIRBANKS' WONDERFUL SCENES FROM OLD TRIBE.

Ghosts of the living dead! Such is the reference made to a number of the characters appearing in the forthcoming Douglas Fairbanks-United Artists' production, "The Mollycoddle," which will be shown at the Coronet Theatre to-night.

The "living dead" are members of the Hopi Indian tribe who are prominent in several episodes of the third Fairbanks' picture for the "Big Four," who since the filming of the scenes have passed on to the happy hunting grounds.

It was several weeks after the Fairbanks' company had visited the Hopi reservation, one hundred miles from Holbrook, Arizona, that it was learned that five of the Indians, two chiefs included, had succumbed. They had been very conspicuous in a sacred dance of the tribe, which through special arrangement was caught by the camera.

Not alone was it the first time that such a dance had ever been held other than during the proper feast celebration but it was also the first time that any member of the Hopi tribe had ever been photographed.

In order to secure the permission to film the Indians it was necessary to provide them with numerous delicacies in the food line which they could not procure and a promise was also made that they would be given the opportunity of viewing their work by way of the silver sheet.

When the film had been developed and printed a special screen was constructed on the desert and every Redskin of the tribe attended the showing of this episode of "The Mollycoddle" after the star had had a miniature projection machine sent on from Los Angeles and much time and trouble was given to rigging up an electric appliance.

With much ceremony the guests seated themselves in front of the canvas, most of them to see a motion picture for the first time. As Indian figures in fantastic dances began to zig-zag and wig-wag before their astonished eyes, there was a buzz of excitement throughout the audience.

Then there was a noise from the rear of the gathering and two aged Redskins jumped to their feet and shouting in their native tongue disappeared in the dark with considerable rapidity. Others followed and it looked like the show was going to break-up and with serious results.

Mr. Fairbanks was quick to realize impending danger so he had the picture stopped. The lights were turned on and the uproar ceased. Investigation then revealed the fact that several of the chiefs and some of the tribe had died since the picture was taken and that the fellow-tribemen believed that the likeness on the screen were ghosts.

The outcome of it all was the same of the more intelligent Indians took the situation in hand and with the aid and assistance of the Government agent, everything was quieted. The show was resumed and applauded in Indian fashion via vocal utterances instead of hand clapping and the first of "stock" film owned by the Indians is the sacred dance which appears in "The Mollycoddle."

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CORRESPONDENCE.

CHRIST'S TEARS.

[To the Editor of the China Mail.]

Sir,—We are surprised at the correspondence which appeared in your valuable paper of the first instant because this is the first time that any protest from a Catholic has been raised against this wine trade which has been widely known in all the markets of the world, especially in that of Brazil to where immense quantities of wine of this brand have been exported yearly.

It seems that it has offended someone's religious susceptibilities, but we, who are Catholics ourselves by conviction, do not see any cause for offence, and we have the highest respect for every one's religious creed.

However, we wish to make it clear that there is not the slightest profanation in selling wine with labels containing a picture which has not been blessed because, in like manner, postal cards with the image of Christ imprinted on them have been sold in large numbers.

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We beg leave to call your attention to a slight inaccuracy in your Editorial Note which certainly gave the impression that the labels had been affixed to the bottles at Macao. That is not so, as all labels had been affixed to the bottles in Portugal before they were shipped to other countries.

Thanking you in anticipation for your kindness in inserting this letter in your valuable paper.

We remain,
Yours faithfully,
Pela Agencia Commercial de
Macao O Gerente
MANUEL SETTEIS.
Macao, February 7.

CEMENTS AND GETTING TOGETHER.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—You have from time to time, been urging the desirability of the Rotary Movement in Hongkong in so far as the idea of getting the different communities together is concerned; and reading the account in your paper of the extraordinary meeting—extraordinary in more senses than one, of the Cement Co., I have been wondering if, had we had a Rotary Club or International Club functioning, such a meeting would ever have been held with the resulting resignation of several of the Colony's ablest businessmen and financiers.

I begin to see, perhaps, the raising of the Editorial eye, and perhaps the lack of candour on the part of your many readers at such a seemingly ridiculous statement. I may be wrong, but I read into the meeting recorded something which others may not have seen there. I do not wish to question—and the thought is not in my mind, the motives of those who spoke and attended the Cement Co.'s meeting and who were in opposition to those whom I have described above. They were all, doubtless, imbued with the idea of furthering the interests, not only of the Cement Co., and themselves in the way of increased dividends, which is legitimate, but the Colony as an industrial centre. But there is that desire, a growing desire it seems to me, on the part of certain enterprising men who are possessed of brains and money, to a voice and share in the management and control of certain of our limited companies. The desire is legitimate, but the plums of what hitherto have been a not overburdened method of earning fees have remained in the same hands. I am not suggesting that a Rotary or any other Club would have stilled these desires, but I do suggest that if the Colony possessed a "getting together" organisation there would be less communal isolation and that each community possesses members of it with high ideals, business acumen, and well compatible with the best; and a way-out would have been found without the possibility of recriminations and loss of good feeling. It is all to the credit of those who seem to be leading the latest "revolt" that their desire is not to

COLOFN Y CYMRO.

Nationalist at St. Stephen's.

An interesting subject for a Nationalist essay might be "The Welsh Conquest of England."—We in Wales have got into the habit of complaining that our country is being overrun by aliens, our nationalism being submerged by foreign influences, even our religious instincts in danger of being lost in our attachment to imported ideas. Much might be written on this theme. But Wales is getting its own back. In Pulpit and Press and Parliament may be perceived proof of the peaceful penetration of English public life by Welshness. If you have any doubts upon the question, compare the list of members of the new Parliament with that of the House of Commons of 1918, 30 or 40 years ago. A leading London contemporary utters a fierce growl at the number of those bearing Welsh names who flock to St. Stephen's. Time was when the Irish and Scottish patronymics studied the division lists in Hanover.

They will not this Session. The decline of Irish influence in English legislation is shown by the fact that only four "O's" appear. There are 14 Scottish "Mac's", three of them bearing the future Premier's patronymic. But the Welsh names are legion, there being more Davieses than Smiths, Brownes or Robinsons. Smith used to be a prominent name in English public life, and was accepted as typically English. In the new Parliament there are three times as many Davieses, twice as many Williamses and twice as many Joneses as there are Smiths.

The University of Wales Parliamentary election result was—
George M. Lloyd Davies (Christian Pacifist)..... 570
Prof. Joseph Jones..... 560
Major Jack Edwards..... 467

Majority..... 10.

Independent gain.

"Wales will, barring accidents, have the honour of having sent to St. Stephen's two Premiers within five years. Neither of the two, it is true, was born in Wales but the Principality is the native land of the family of the one, and the adopted country of the other. Mr. Lloyd George retired to Criccieth when he wants quiet. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald seeks the peace of Llanymorfa when exercising his ingenuity as a Cabinet-maker. When we have the next Cabinet finally formed I venture to predict there will be more than one Welshman in it. The Rev. J. H. Howard Colwyn Bay..... assures us that Wales is represented in the British Parliament just now by "the three most important men in the Kingdom." He thus places them in order of importance:—

"D. Lloyd George, the problem and the hope of Liberalism; Ramsay MacDonald, the Labour leader and next Premier; and George Davies the first in the history of the United Kingdom to be sent to Parliament for the single reason that he is a Christian." I do not imagine Mr. Howard wishes us to believe that the representative of the Welsh University will be the only Christian M.P. of the 615, but he evidently wants us to think that it was not their Christianity which took, or placed, them there. He may, perhaps, pardon me if I say that I very much doubt if it was entirely because of his Christianity, that Mr. George Davies was sent there. If that were true, Wales would have a higher opinion of her University as the public exponent of Welsh Christian principles. Personally, I fear that many university electors voted for Mr. Geo. Davies not because, but in spite of his Christian principles.

RANDOM LEAVES. S.W.W. News.

PASSENGERS.

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disposses those at present in possession and to pay devoted, if reasonably paid service, with the summary order of the god.

"I hope I may be allowed to add that I am not a Portuguese or a Chinese, or have been asked by influential members of either community to write you thus; neither am I a shareholder in any of our local companies. I am interested in this 'getting together' movement and strange though it may seem I am not attached to irregularity. As John Wesley regarded the whole world as his parish, so I regard Hongkong as a place where the peoples of it should be linked together in a more binding chain than exists at present.

Yours etc. BRITANNIC.

Hongkong, February 8.

FATAL FRACAS.

MILITARY BONDS DISPUTE.

CANTON'S NEW YEAR EVE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, February 6.

It is reported that a Yunnanese corporal and two privates were shot, supposedly fatally, in a fracas outside a shop in the Wing Tack Road in the old city on China New Year eve.

As far as can be made out, the soldiers presented a paper purporting to be a "military bond" said to have been issued by the Canton authorities to pay the troops. The denomination was \$10 and the soldiers are reported to have demanded \$20 in change for a 30 cents purchase. The shopkeeper quibbled but, under pressure, declared that he had no change available and offered to make a free gift of the article. This the soldiers refused and the trouble started over their alleged insistence that the bond be accepted as current tender and that change be given in silver.

The shopkeeper claims that his till was rifled in the scuffle and that the three culprits were shot down when they threatened, or even attempted to attack, a patrol of Merchants' Volunteer Corps.

A meeting of volunteers was held shortly afterwards when it was decided that the streets in the business centres be barricaded. Barbed-wire entanglements and steel-plates were put up in some instances and in a few hours, the glamour and hubbub of New Year eve had been completely transformed to a comparative state of siege. The whole strength of the Merchants' Volunteers is reported to have been mobilised and patrolling the streets. Few unarmed Chinese were out late even on New Year's day.

TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL.

MATCHES ON THE FIXTURE LIST.

The following matches are due to be played to-day:—

H.K.F.A. Challenge shield. (Junior): Club de Recreio v. South China "B". St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Spencer. Kick off at 2.45 p.m.

HONGKONG LEAGUE DIVISION I. South China v. H.M.S. "Titania." Hongkong F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Smith.

Kowloon v. H.M.S. "Despatch." Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Wakeham.

R.G.A. v. H.M.S. "Ambrose." Sookimpo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Collins. Kick off at 4.15 p.m.

DIVISION II. "Titania" Reserves v. H.K. Club ground. Referee: Mr. Davies.

Kowloon Reserves v. Sacred Heart, Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Wakeham.

South China "A" v. St. Joseph's, South China ground. Referee: Mr. Tovey.

University v. R.G.A. Reserves, Navy "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Fairburn.

H.M.S. "Marazion" v. H.M.S. "Iriquois." Navy "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Bailey.

Surrey's Reserves v. Filipino Club, Sookimpo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Collins. Kick off at 2.45 p.m.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LONDON, February 7.
Following are the results of the Football Cup replays on February 7:

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CHURCH NOTES.

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY.

THE CHURCH.

We have arrived at a place of danger in the life of the Christian Church. The institution increases—prophecy decreases. The Institution always wins, unless something bold and definite is done to vindicate the liberty of the Spirit. It is not necessary to plan that it should win; falling some other movement, that always happens. Man takes refuge from prophecy in the Institution. To care for it and to defend it, is his natural tendency. The Institution must be kept boldly in its right place. That is the task which we have to face to-day, and there is no time to be lost. The Institution is valuable when it provides an open road for the spiritual message with its truth and power. It is to be judged by the scope and freedom it gives to those who bring into this human scene the Eternal Gospel of God in its living power. When the Church seeks to be an end in itself, it ceases to be a Church. There is some danger in that to-day. For a time indeed, it looked as if there were to be a new freedom in this land for the prophetic witness of the Church. In the war we began to see our tasks in their true proportions, and to value more the power than the machinery. We began. That was all. But the Church is becoming timid now; and in hours of timidity it defends the status quo. Safety First! Now Safety First is a good rule for passengers crossing to Trafalgar Square, but it is a poor policy for the Church of the Living God. That was taught at the first to live dangerously. And of all the adjectives attached to the Church, high, low, broad, hard, there is none more humiliating than timid: The Timid Church! How shameful it sounds! But this will be the judgment upon us if we hide from the tenor and the splendour of our task in the coverts of an institution.

—H. R. L. SHEPPARD.

THE EPISTLE.
Clossians, 3.12 recognises Christians as already the elect of God and bids them put on accordingly the likeness of Christ, first and most truly in all the various phases of the "Charity" which is the bond of perfectness growing under the thankful sense of the peace of God; next, on the wisdom coming from the insight of a devotion which is able at once to teach others and to promote its own thankfulness to God—in the psalms and hymns of the multitude and the spiritual songs of the few; lastly, in the sense that whatever we do in word or deed we do in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. The last phrase sums up the Christian attitude to the whole of life.

THE GOSPEL.
St. Matthew 13.24, is the celebrated parable of the wheat and the tares. It describes the good seed sown by the Son of Man in the field of this world sown and choked by the tares—a counterfeit of wheat detected only by the black poisonous grain formed in the ear, sown by the Evil one and his servants. It is not to be rooted out violently, but left to the final division and destruction at the harvest of the Great Day. The parable teaches that evil is the counterfeit of good, that tares are best destroyed not by rooting up, but by cultivation of the good seed, that evil, in the world or in the heart, exists not by God's will, but by His permission, and exists only for a time.

A WISH.
May Christ, Who gave thee to me as a friend
Vouchsafe Himself to thee;
And in His Love unbonded
condescend
To be thy trust and thy dearest
Friend;
Closer than I could be;
That in His bond of love our
souls may blend.
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It appears that the "Mary Horlock," a vessel of over 3,000 tons, sailed from Seattle on December 20, with a big cargo of lumber for Japan. Encountering stormy weather on New Year's Day she had a stiff battle with wind and sea for over three weeks until eventually, driven miles out of her course and listed over on her beam ends through the moving of her cargo, the ship began to sink.

S.O.S. messages sent out on January 23, when the vessel was about 700 miles south of Japan, were picked up by the oil tanker "Hugiton" and the "President Taft," the latter hastening to her assistance and arriving at 3 p.m. on the 26th. The "Mary Horlock's" dangerous list and the heavy seas running made rescue work peculiarly difficult and that the "President Taft" managed to save the whole of the crew reflects very great credit upon her Commander (Captain January) and all concerned. Oil was poured on the water and life boats lowered with the help of skids and by 6 p.m. the last boatload had been brought off the doomed ship which, by orders of her Captain was scuttled and sank soon afterwards.

The s.s. "Mary Horlock" had been in commission for five years and her port of registry was Maningtree, England. She was owned by the Horlock Shipping Company. Her registered tonnage is 3,249 tons.

The ship-wrecked mariners were brought on to Yokohama by the "President Taft" and landed there. They were later sent on to Kobe where they embarked on the s.s. "Empress of Australia" and were brought down to Hongkong. Here arrangements are being made for them to be sent home via Suez. The ship-wrecked officers are Capt. R. C. Hill, Commander of the "Mary Horlock," Mr. D. Jones (Chief Officer), Mr. T. Jones (Second Officer), Mr. W. Dockway (Chief Engineer), Mr. V. Archel (Second Engineer), Mr. T. Murphy (Third Engineer) and Mr. H. Dobson (Fourth Engineer). Amongst the crew there are fourteen Africans.

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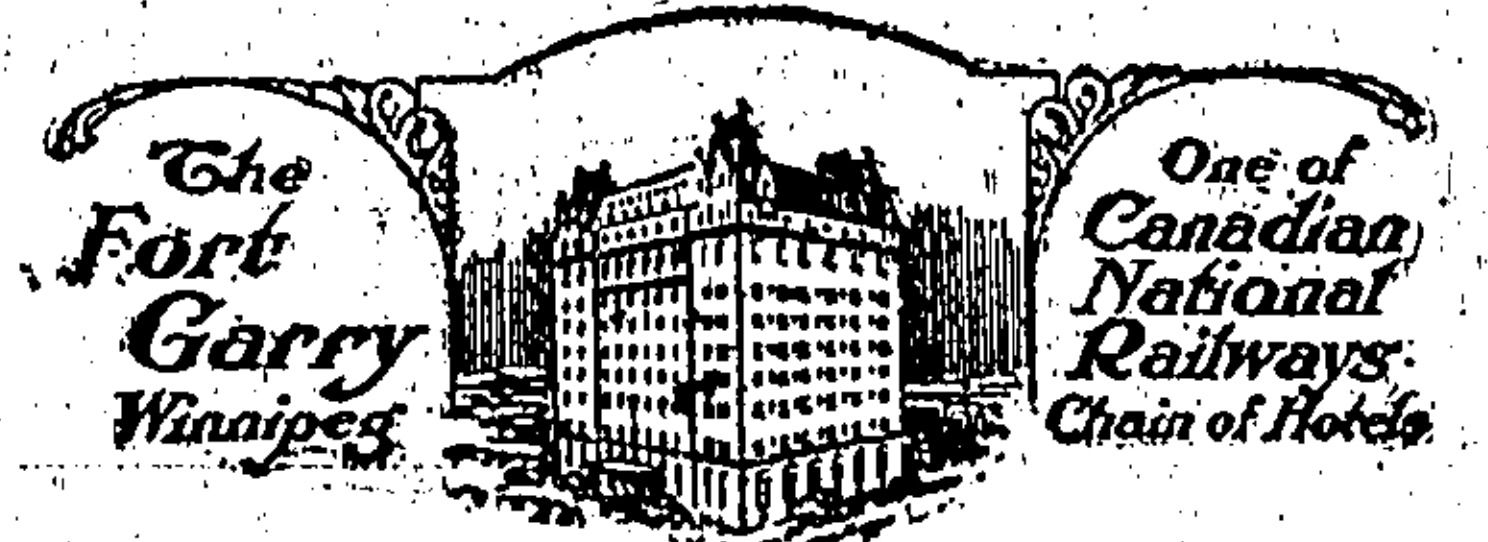
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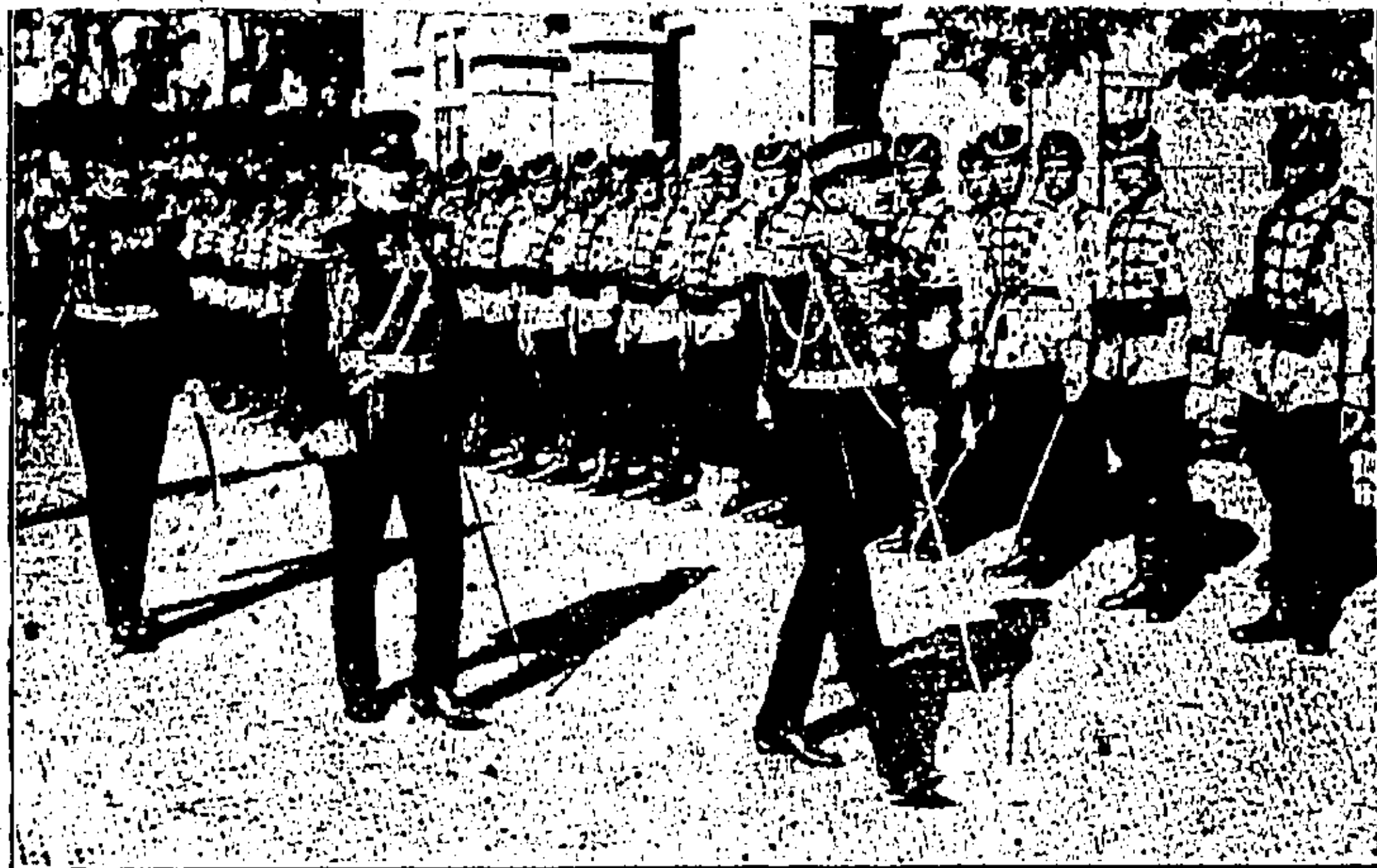
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Made on a scale of six inches to 100 feet, the model, besides presenting a perfect miniature of the Dockyard, is artistically designed. At the dockwall there are life-models of a Blue Funnel and a J.C.L. vessel. In the dry-dock lies the graceful "Empress of Canada" and in various other docks are models of vessels in course of construction. On the picturesque background of Gordon Hill which lends a pleasing touch to the scene, stand out the residences of Mr. J. R. Reid, Mr. Greig, and

Mr. Templeton and the Taitoo Club and Chambers. The distant background is effectively represented by a well executed painting. The supervisors, including Messrs Bell Simpson and Swan and Mr. F. N. Young, the architect, have omitted nothing in their effort to present a truly representative model. Dock tugs, launches, even metals and tram standards on the road are shown, a piece of work which must have demanded much care and thought. With the model, a large coloured plan of the Dockyard and various photographs are to go to London.

The Duchess of Atholl, the first woman to be returned for a Scottish constituency to the House of Commons, was entertained by the Edinburgh Women's Organisation, and in acknowledging the compliment emphasised the necessity of making secure the ground which they had won. To this end they would have to exercise many qualities, particularly tact, patience, and moderation.

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